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Applicants:

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Examiner:

Lynette T. Umez Eronini

REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION AND FOR COMPLETE OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 25, 2003

Sir:

The Office Action mailed February 4, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application, is noted. In this Office Action mailed February 4, 2003, it is indicated that claims 1-18 and 23-28 are rejected.

However, referring to the prior art rejections set forth on pages 4-9 of this Office Action mailed February 4, 2003, no rejection of either of claims 10 or 24 is set forth. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that there is an inconsistency between the Office Action summary, indicating that claims 1-18 and 23-28 are rejected, and the Detailed Action of the Office Action which does not set forth a basis for rejection of either of claims 10 and 24.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that a Supplemental Office Action be issued, indicating that claims 10 and 24 contain allowable subject matter, or setting forth a basis for rejection of claims 10 and 24.

Moreover, it is respectfully requested that the period for response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2003, be re-set, to begin with the date of mailing of the aforementioned Supplemental Office Action.

Favorable action by the Examiner consistent with the foregoing requests is respectfully solicited.

To the extent necessary, Applicant(s) petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP Account No. 01-2135 (566.39787X00) and please credit any overpayment of fees to such deposit account.

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